REGIONAL FUGITIVE TASK FORCES

CATCH OF THE WEEK

Week of July 4th, 2005

Taking the Worst of the Worst Off the Streets

New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force

On May 22, 2005, in an alleged drug related incident involving a "turf war", Lamar Alford along with a second defendant brutally beat, then shot a male victim during a robbery attempt in Camden, New Jersey. The defendants fled the scene following the incident and the victim was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead. Camden City Police requested the assistance of the New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force in locating and apprehending Alford. During the course of the investigation, it was discovered that Alford was staying at a residence in Camden, New Jersey and on July 6, 2005, Task Force members set up surveillance. During the surveillance, Alford observed Task Force members though one of the windows, and was seen scrambling around searching for a hiding place. When Task Force members gained entry into the residence, Alford was located on the second floor hiding under a bed and was arrested without incident. He was transported to the Camden City Police Department for processing and charged with homicide.



Lamar Alford
Wanted for Homicide

Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force

On July 6, 2005, Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force (GLRFTF) investigators arrested Jeffrey Rodriguez who was wanted for a murder that occurred on May 7, 2005 in which Rodriguez and an accomplice are alleged to have shot a male victim over a dispute involving narcotics. Rodriquez' accomplice was arrested the same day as the homicide by officers from the Indianapolis Police Department. Task Force investigation revealed an address for Rodriguez in Indianapolis, Indiana. Investigators proceeded to the address, located Rodriguez, and arrested him without incident. A handgun was recovered from the location. This is the twelfth fugitive wanted for homicide that the Task Force has captured in 2005.



Jeffrey Rodriguez
Wanted for Homicide

Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force

On July 5, 2005, Xavier Keith Snelson was arrested during a felony vehicle stop after a coordinated effort by the Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force (SERFTF) and several local and state agencies. Snelson was wanted by the Cobb County, Georgia Police Department for homicide following an incident which occurred earlier in the day. That afternoon, Snelson confronted his common-law wife outside of her place of employment and threatened her with a firearm. After she ran into the business to get away from him, he followed her inside, cornered her, and in front of numerous co-workers, fired multiple gunshots into her, killing her instantly. Snelson then ran back outside where he carjacked an individual, stole his pickup truck and fled the scene. The SERFTF was immediately contacted and investigators where able to determine several possible locations for Snelson. Information was soon developed that Snelson was driving the stolen truck on Interstate 85 headed southbound toward the Alabama state line. SERFTF investigators placed a statewide lookout on the stolen truck and within a short time were notified by the Georgia State Patrol that a trooper had gotten behind the suspected vehicle. Once it was confirmed that it was the correct truck, additional units from the Troup County, Georgia Sheriff's Department joined in the chase. The units were eventually able to box the car in on the interstate and a felony vehicle stop was performed. Snelson surrendered without incident and a subsequent search of the truck revealed the suspected murder weapon. Snelson's criminal history consists of eight prior arrests for assault, robbery, weapons and narcotics offenses, and probation violation.



Wanted for Homicide

Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force

Jason Lamont Ingram was wanted out of Washington, D.C. on a material witness warrant for a homicide which occurred on March 5, 2005. Ingram was also wanted out of Virginia Beach, Virginia for probation violation stemming from a robbery and weapons convictions. The Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force (CARFTF), working with the Northern Ohio Fugitive Task Force, located Ingram in Youngstown, Ohio. As Task Force agents encountered Ingram on the street, he fled; in the process dropping a bag which contained a Sig Sauer P226 .40 caliber fully-loaded firearm. Following a brief foot chase, Ingram ran into a basement, barricading himself. After a stand-off, Ingram gave himself up and was taken into custody without further incident.



Jason Lamont Ingram

Wanted on a Material Witness Warrant for a Homicide and Probation Violation

Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force

Kenrod Stephen James was arrested in Moreno Valley, California on July 6, 2005 by members of the Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force (PSWRFTF) and detectives from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department (SBSD), based on information provided by the USMS Joint Criminal Apprehension Team in Salt Lake City, Utah. James was wanted by the Salt Lake County, Utah Sheriff's Department for attempted murder, aggravated sexual assault, and possession of a firearm by a felon and by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for unlawful flight to avoid apprehension. The charges against James allege that, on May 6, 2004, he sexually assaulted a victim at gunpoint when the victim decided to end their relationship. Following the sexual assault, he produced a handgun and shot the victim in the chest and head and left her for dead; however, the victim survived her injuries. James fled from Utah and became a fugitive. In late June 2005, Task Force investigators in Salt Lake City developed information that James may have fled to the Moreno Valley area and requested assistance from the PSWRFTF. On July 6, 2005, a surveillance team observed a Cadillac Escalade believed to be associated with James driving away from a residence in Moreno Valley. The surveillance team followed the vehicle to a shopping center parking lot and stopped the vehicle. James was found to be in the vehicle and was taken into custody without incident and booked at the San Bernardino County Jail to await rendition to Utah.



Kenrod James

Wanted for Attempted Murder, Aggravated Sexual Assault, Possession of a Firearm by a Felon, and Unlawful Flight to Avoid Apprehension